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Proposal: **Proposed continued non-complaince with Condition 18 and 19 of Planning permission 9/586/726 at Elvaston Quarry Bellington Hill Elvaston Derby**

Ward: **Aston**

Valid Date: **02/05/2001**

Site Description

The site is part of a long-standing sand and gravel extraction operation in the green belt to the north of the A6. The site lies between Shardlow and Elvaston villages.

Proposal

The application seeks to extend the period within which the Applicant Company is able to import aggregate materials for the manufacture of ready mix concrete and to retain plant and machinery on site. An extended period of two years is sought. The application would also allow the postponement of part of the restoration scheme, notably in respect of the existing lagoon.

Applicants' supporting information

a) The extended period is required because of the delays in bringing forward the Minerals Local Plan and the re-structuring of the company. This has brought about reconsideration of strategies for the provision of materials in the market place.
b) An application is due to be submitted in respect of the extension to Elvaston Quarry, as allocated in the Local Plan.
c) The applicant is prepared to discuss a painting and maintenance schedule on the plant in the interim period.
d) The proposal to extend the period for compliance in respect of the approved restoration scheme would enable lagoon capacity to retained for the future extension to the quarry.

Planning History

The 1986 permission subject to the application had envisaged the restoration of the affected areas by now. However the Minerals Local Plan has now allocated an extension to the quarry.

Structure/Local Plan Policies

The Minerals policies of Derbyshire County Council are relevant to this case.

Planning Considerations

The main issues central to the determination of this application are:

a) The principle of the proposal.
b) The impact on the countryside.
c) Residential amenity.
d) Traffic.

Planning Assessment

Given the changed circumstances brought about by the Minerals Local Plan, and the need for the company to be active pending operations in the extended quarry, the principle of the proposal is acceptable.

The existence of minerals plant has an inevitable visual impact. However this is inevitable if the extended quarry is to be exploited. The interim situation as proposed is therefore acceptable in this regard.

Adequate living conditions for the occupiers of the few residential properties in the are adequately safeguarded by other conditional control.

There would be no change in the existing traffic situation.

Recommendation

That the County Council be informed that this Authority has no objection to the proposal.